

RHONDDA CYNON TAF COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL

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COUNCIL

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**REPORT OF THE GROUP DIRECTOR,
ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES**

Item No. 9

**PROVISION OF BYELAWS
ON ACUPUNCTURE,
TATTOOING, SEMI-
PERMANENT SKIN-
COLOURING, COSMETIC
PIERCING AND
ELECTROLYSIS**

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

To invite Council to determine the date on which Part VIII, sections 14-17 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982 shall come into effect in Rhondda Cynon Taf, to enable the new Byelaws on ear piercing, tattooing, acupuncture and electrolysis (including cosmetic piercing and semi- permanent skin colouring) to be confirmed by Welsh Government so that they may be applied in Rhondda Cynon Taf.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 It is recommended:

To enable the new Model Byelaws on ear piercing, tattooing, acupuncture and electrolysis (including cosmetic piercing and semi- permanent skin colouring) to be confirmed by Welsh Government, and apply in Rhondda Cynon Taf, that the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1982, Part VIII, sections 14-17 come into force in Rhondda Cynon Taf from 1st May 2014.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 On 24th July 2013 Council considered a report on the comprehensive revision by the Welsh Government of the existing Model Byelaws on ear

piercing, tattooing, acupuncture and electrolysis (including cosmetic piercing and semi-permanent skin colouring) and resolved:

- (1) To adopt the provisions of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) act 1982, Part VIII, Sections 14-17 to enable new Byelaws to be adopted (as recommended by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 21st May 2013).
 - (2) To adopt in its entirety the draft Model Byelaws reproduced in Appendix 1 to the July report (subject to amendment, if necessary by The Service Director, Public Health and Protection following consultation) and to authorise the Service Director, Public Health and Protection to enter into discussion with Welsh Government so that they may be confirmed by the Welsh Ministers (as recommended by the Cabinet at its meeting held on 21st May 2013).
- 3.2 Following that resolution, the proposed Byelaws and associated Council Report and Minutes were submitted to Welsh Government for their consideration and comment prior to formal submission for confirmation.
- 3.3 Welsh Government's Legal Department has now considered our submission and is satisfied in principle with our proposal subject to a further resolution being made to confirm the date on which the provisions of sections 14-17 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act) 1982 will come into force.
- 3.4 The legislation requires that the date must not be before the expiration of the period of one month beginning with the day on which the resolution is passed.

4. CONCLUSIONS

- 4.1 To enable the new *"Model Byelaws for Acupuncture, Tattooing, Semi-Permanent Skin Colouring, Cosmetic Piercing and Electrolysis"* (approved by Council on 24 July 2013) to be confirmed by Welsh Government a resolution must be made setting the date on which the provisions of sections 14-17 of the Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions Act) 1982 shall come into force.
- 4.2 Council is requested to resolve that the provisions shall come into force on 1st May 2014.